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Andrew Jackson to Andrew Jackson, Jr., June 14, 1833, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO ANDREW JACKSON, JR.

Private

New York, June 14, 1833.

My Son, I have to day received your kind letter of the 12th instant, yours of a former date was duly received.

It is now past ten, and I have just returned to my lodgings, after visiting three towns in New jersy, Newark, Paulus Hook, and Elisabeth Town, and passing over in procession three fourths of the city of Newyork, castle garden, a party at the Mayors, at Genl Mortons, and the garden, and having taken a warm bath feel no injury from the fatigues of the day and will leave here at six oclock to morrow morning. I have witnessed enthusiasms before, but never before have I witnessed such a scene of personal regard as I have to day, and ever since I left Washington. I have bowed to upwards of two hundred thousand people to day —never has there been such affection of the people before I am sure been evinced. Party has not been seen here.

My health is improving, but my head being exposed to the sun at Philadelphia for five hours my face has been compleatly blistered. it is healing. You have heard of the providential escape we made on our landing at Castle Garden. Mr. McLane will have informed, before this reaches you, of all the circumstances.

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I rejoice to hear of yours, Sarahs and my dear little Rachels good health with Emilys and her dear little childrens good health. to *all*, present me affectionately, and kiss my sweet little pet for me. Tell Sarah I will be happy to hear from her in the promised letter, and I hope little Rachel will not forget me until I return, need not say to you and her to take care of her. my fears are that we all doat upon her too much, I hope not so much as to forget, that we owe her to a kind providence, and to him our first love is due, next we may justly place upon her our affections as his best gift. It is late, I am fatigued, and can only add my prayers for your healths and safety until I return, and resign you and sarah with my dear little Rachel, Emily, Jackson, Mary Rachel, and John, to his holy keeping—to all whom present my blessing. To Major Lewis, and Mr. Kendall, and the heads of Department present my kind salutations and believe me your affectionate father. this hasty scrall is for your own eye.